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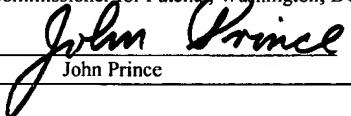
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(2), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the March 20, 2001 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before December 4, 2001. A check in the amount of \$400.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

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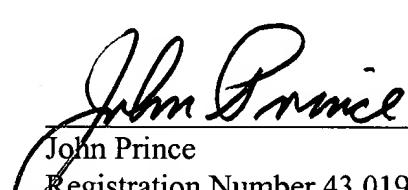
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